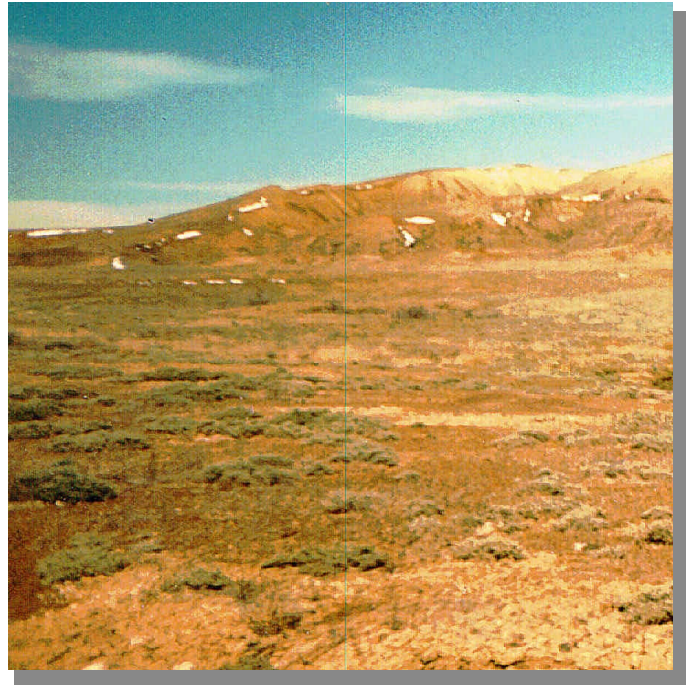


## Montana Land Cover Atlas

### 3310 Salt-Desert Shrub / Dry Salt Flats

#### DOMINANT SPECIES

Saltsage (*Atriplex nuttallii*)



#### DESCRIPTION

Shrublands dominated by saltsage (*Atriplex nuttallii*) with 10-40% cover. Usually associated with alkaline sites or blowouts. Found in dry, sandy, or saline-seep areas. Associated grass and forb species: blue grama I (*Bouteloua gracilis*), hairy grama (*Bouteloua hirsuta*), Sandberg's bluegrass (*Poa sandbergii*), threadleaf sedge (*Carex filifolia*).

#### TOTAL AREA

131,141 hectares

22,824 patches

0.34 % of state

#### ELEVATION

542 - 1964 m range

952 m mean

#### STATE RANGE

Occurs primarily in eastern and southeastern Montana.

